

Dear Parents/Carers,

Over the next six weeks our class will be studying different subjects which will be linked with the theme 'Frantic Pharaohs'. In this way we believe that the children will gain a greater understanding of the world around us and why learning is important to us all if we are to become responsible and independent learners.

If children understand why they need to learn something and see its relevance to their own lives not only will they actively enjoy their learning but also they will achieve higher standards in their work than if they see no point in their learning.

Each theme is based around the specific National Curriculum (NC) Skills that are needed to be mastered by our children and during this six week theme of Frantic Pharaohs we will be covering the NC Skills in Literacy, Maths, Science, History, Geography, Art and Design and Design and Technology. Below is an outline of what the children will be learning about:

Literacy	Narrative (adventure story), information text, poetry.
Maths	Place value: Read and write given numbers up to 1000, identify and represent numbers in different ways, order and compare positive and negative numbers, counting back in various steps through zero, rounding numbers and roman numerals. Addition and subtraction: column method, mental strategies.
Science	Working scientifically and understanding movement, magnets and forces.
History/Geography	Investigating and interpreting the past and understanding chronology.
Art and Design	Drawing and digital media.
Design and Technology	Electricals and electronics

We will also be swimming with Horse Chestnut Tree, starting Tuesday 10th September 2019 and finishing Tuesday 26th November 2019.

Every child will experience a variety of different ways of learning including reading, writing, mathematics, problem solving, illustrating, working independently and working collaboratively and their progress towards the NC Skills will be continually assessed again in a variety of ways.

I know that as parents you are keen to support your child in their learning and would ask that you talk to your child about what they are learning during this theme – let them teach you!

I would be very grateful if anyone has any artefacts or experience and knowledge in our topic please let me know as soon as possible, as the more information and support that your child has, the more successful their learning will be.

I would like to thank you all for your support with your children's learning - it really does make a difference. If anyone has any questions as to how to help your child please do not hesitate to get in touch with me at the earliest opportunity.

Yours sincerely

Miss L Guest